ഗവണ്മെൻറു നടപ്പാക്കിയാൽതന്നെയും മുൻസിപ്പാലിറ്റിയിൽ നിന്നും ൫ ൦ കൊല്ലത്തേക്കു ഗവണ്മെൻറു ചിലവാക്കുന്ന പണത്തിൻെറ ഓഹരികൾ അടയ്ക്കാൻ സാധിക്കുന്നതല്ലെന്നു മുനിസിപ്പൽ പ്രസിഡൻറു തന്നെ എഴുതിയിരിക്കുന്നു.

ഞാൻ മുമ്പുപറഞ്ഞതുപോലെ കോട്ടയത്തു പ്രൈവറ്റുഏജൻസ്വേലതുടങ്ങാൻ തീച്ചപ്പെട്ടുത്തുകയും ആലപ്പുഴ മുനിസിപ്പാലിറ്റി അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിക്കയും ചെയ്യുന്നുണ്ടു്. അതുപോലെ കൊല്ലത്തും നടത്താം.

MEMBER : ആണ്ടുതോറും ൬,൦൦൦ രൂപാവീതം വിളക്കുവയ്ക്കുന്നതിനു ചിലവാകുന്നുണ്ടു്. അതുമുതുക ഗവണ്മെൻറിലേയ്ക്കു് ആണ്ടുതോറും അടക്കാമെല്ലൊ?

DEWAN : ആണ്ടുതോറും പ്രൊവിനു ചിലവുണ്ടെല്ലൊ. അതുനിവൃത്തിക്കാമെന്നല്ലാതെ ആയതിലേക്കു മുടക്കുന്നമൂലധനം തിരിയെ ഗവണ്മെൻറിലേക്കു ഒടുക്കുവാൻ ഇനി ൫ ൦ കൊല്ലത്തേക്കു സാധിക്കുകയില്ലെന്നു പ്രസിഡൻറു എഴുതിയിട്ടുണ്ടു്. ഗവണ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നും ഇതിലേക്കു ചിലവുചെയ്യാൻ സാധിക്കുകയില്ല. പല മുനിസിപ്പൽ കൌൺസിലുകളും ചോദിക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്. അതുകൊണ്ടു അതാതു ഔണ്ടിൽ പ്രൈവറ്റു ഏജൻസിമുഖാന്തിരംതന്നെ നടത്തണം.

[The question of electrification of the town is one for the municipality to take up. The Kottayam Municipality has taken up the question and entrusted a private agency with the work of electrifying that town. It is a paying concern and will be an easy task if big merchants or others take the initiative in the matter. Even if the Government undertake to do the work for the municipality, it is reported by the Municipal President that it will not be possible for the municipality to pay back the amount spent even within a period of ten years. Following the example of the Kottayam Municipality, the Alleppey Municipality has also taken up the question. The Quilon Municipality may also act likewise.]

88. Needs of the Quilon taluk.

MR. NARAYANA PILLAI VISWANATHA PILLAI (*Quilon taluk, Group 1*) said that the majority of the representations made in the Assembly year after year related to the P. W. Department. In the previous session of the Assembly, the Road Board was used as an expedient for not giving direct replies to such representations. It appeared therefore that the continuance of the Assembly was rendered almost unnecessary by the creation of the Board.

The Road Board should have a non-official majority, for the proper discharge of its functions.

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Dealing with the needs of the Quilon taluk, the member made the following suggestions:

(1) The road from the 4th mile of the Quilon-Alleppey road and the road to Mamoottil *kadavu* should be opened immediately.

(2) The road from Kavanad to Aravila *kadavu*, which was partly constructed, should be completed.

(3) The road to Kaithavarathu *kadavu*, the Perinad road, the road from Anchalummood to the Prakulam N. S. English High School and the Bhootakulam road at Paravoor should be improved.

(4) A new road from Messrs. Harrisons & Crosfield buildings to Tangassery and another road from Tangassery to the Neendakara bridge along the sea coast, should be constructed.

(5) A bridge should be constructed at Kottayathu *kadavu*. For nearly twenty years, representations were made on the subject. The reply given to the representations was that it was too soon to talk of a big and expensive bridge at Quilon and that the Neendakara bridge was quite enough for one or two years. If the principle underlying that reply were followed in all cases, no expenditure could be incurred in respect of the Trivandrum town, for the improvement of which large sums were being spent on electric lighting, water-supply and railway extension.

(6) A sluice should be constructed, at the cost of Government, to the north of the newly constructed culvert at the 1st furlong, 6th mile, of the Quilon-Alleppey road. Government had given permission to have the sluice constructed at the cost of the people of the locality.

(7) The lane branching off from the Quilon-Trivandrum road along the Bharanikavu temple and leading to the Eravipuram canal should be converted into a cart road.

(8) The trace from Anchalummood to Peruman should be converted into a public road.

(9) The Jew-shop road, which was closed simultaneously with the opening of the Quilon-Trivandrum railway line, should be opened.

(10) The road from the small-pox hospital at Asramam to the western lake, being unfit for vehicular traffic, should be improved.

(11) The vernacular schools should be provided with reading rooms and libraries.

(12) Additional buildings for the Saktikulangara Girls' School and a new building for the Anchalummood Vernacular Middle School should be constructed.

(13) A grant-in-aid Ayurvedic *Vaidyasala* should be opened to the south of the Neendakara bridge.

(14) A permanent *Vishavaidyasala* should be established in West Quilon, as the existing *vaidyasala*, which belonged to the municipality, was only being continued from year to year.

(15) The Sub-Registry office at Nedungolam, which was held in a rented building, should be shifted to the new building constructed at Paravur.

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(16) A Munsiff-Magistrate's Court should be established at Paravur. In reply to a representation on the same subject at the previous session of the Assembly, the member was informed that the Law's Delays Committee would enquire into the matter.

(17) The liquor shops at Paravur and Mundakkal should be abolished. Almost every week, temperance meetings, presided over by distinguished gentlemen, were held at Paravur. In consequence, the people of the locality had given up the drink habit.

(18) For the comfort and convenience of the inhabitants of the town, the night-soil depot situated at Mammootil *kadavu* should be removed to a less congested locality

(19) The Brahmin cremation ground at Thiruvallarom should be closed, the abandoned cremation ground at the place being again used for the purpose.

(20) A new building should be constructed for the Anchal Office at Anchalummood.

(21) The Quilon town, where accidental fires had become quite common, should be provided with two fire engines. It was too much to expect that the municipality would attend to the need.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. Visvanatha Pillai, I do not think it is necessary to reply to your general suggestion about the Road Board. In regard to your criticism that it does not consist of a majority of non-officials, I have to refer you to the reply I gave to the representation made by a member last day.

Points (1), (2) and (10) in your representation relating to communications have to be referred to the Road Board.

As regards point 9, about the opening of the Jew Shop road at Chinakada, that has been investigated and is under correspondence with the Municipal Council.

As regards point (6), as you yourself said, Government have permitted the people to complete the sluice.

Then you referred to reading-rooms and libraries in Vernacular Middle and High Schools. The matter is being tentatively taken up by the Education Department, and the Department is gradually doing what can be done.

As regards the construction of additional buildings for the Saktikulangarai Girls' School, the departmental head is of opinion that there is no necessity because there is sufficient room even now.

You want a new building for housing the Vernacular Middle School at Anchalummudu. That suggestion is noted.

Then with regard to the medical representations, I understand that there are a *Vaidyasala* and a *Vishavaidyasala* in the locality. You say that, because the Municipality is extending the conduct of the *Vaidyasala* from year to year, the Government should start another. I do not think that there is sufficient justification in your plea. You can expect the Municipality to go on doing its duty.

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You want the Sub-Registry Office from Nedungolam to be removed to Paravur. Government have decided not to do it and the reason is that Government do not want to inconvenience the people. It is because Government are satisfied that the shifting of the Sub-Registry Office from Nedungolam would be causing inconvenience to the people that they have decided not to shift it.

Your second point is the establishment of a Munsiff-Magistrate's Court at Paravur. You yourself said that you have already got a reply on that matter.

As regards the removal of liquor shops from Paravur and Mundakkal, I have to refer you to my replies already given to similar representations.

Then, with regard to the removal of the night-soil depot at Mammuttil *kadavu*, the President of the Municipality says that attempts are being made to find a place outside the town for the purpose and that, when a proper site is procured, this will be taken up.

The Brahmin cremation ground at Thiruvallaram is a place acquired by the community for that purpose. The President of the Municipality says that it is not at all causing inconvenience to the people and there has been no complaint till now.

Then about the housing of the Anchal Office at Anchalummudu in a new building, I understand that the building in which the Anchal Office is now held is not an unsuitable building; and if any better building can be offered by the people, the office will be housed in it.

Your last point is about fire engines. In regard to that, I have only to refer you to my reply given to a previous representation.

89. Needs of the Quilon taluk.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Quilon taluk, Group II*) spoke about the following needs of the Quilon taluk :—

(1) A road should be constructed between Quilon and Mukhattala *via* Pattattanam.

(2) The road from the western side of Kundara Sub-Registry Office *via* Kanjarakod and Perayam and joining the Kallada road should be improved and well maintained.

(3) A road should be opened from the 2nd furlong of the 6th mile of the Quilon-Shencotta road to Pooyapalli and Neduvankavu.

(4) (*a*) The Kottiyam-Mayyanad road should be opened early.

(*b*) The Perinad-Prakulam road should be widened.

(*c*) The Perinad-Peruman road should also be widened.

(5) Culverts and sluices should be constructed on the southern and western sides of the Kuntuman *chira* in the Adichanallur *pakuthi*.

(6) The encroachments on the *pramboke*s on either side of the above *chira* should be entirely removed. It was understood that proceedings had been started for the removal of the encroachments.

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